## State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF) is a disorder that causes irreversible scarring in the delicate lung tissue of affected patients; and

WHEREAS, this devastating disease progresses quickly, has no cure, is often misdiagnosed in its early stages, and generally causes disability or death within a few short years; and

WHEREAS, Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Week is designed to promote early detection, enhanced support services for patients, and greater interest in IPF research.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 22 - 29, 2007, as

## IDIOPATHIC PULMONARY FIBROSIS AWARENESS WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to learn more about this devastating disease.

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